

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1647

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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In response to the Official Action dated December 4, 2001 (Paper No. 21),
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) a Fee Transmittal Sheet (in duplicate with appropriate fee); (b) a Petition for Extension of Time for a period of time of three months to and including June 4, 2002; (c) a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences; (d) a Substitute Sequence Listing in both paper and computer readable forms; and (e) a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825. Please amend the application as follows:

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In the Sequence Listing:

Please replace the pending sequence listing with the Substitute Sequence Listing submitted herewith in paper and computer readable form.